

they are still having internal discussions among city and legal staff.

City leaders said it is likely that most of the city councils will be asked to repeal the ordinance. Another option is a legal battle, but officials said that would be an unlikely choice because of costs.

In Temecula and Murrieta, there have been no reports of immigration violations since the E-Verify ordinances went into place. Staff for both southwest Riverside County cities said they did not view illegal immigration as a major issue in their towns.

"When you look at the whole issue, it's a federal issue," Temecula Deputy City Manager Grant Yates said. "When you look at actions across the country . . . the frustration is that at the federal level we don't have clear direction."

In Hemet, the city passed its ordinance in June and just recently got new business license paperwork with the E-Verify information on it. Staff members are now instructing applicants to ignore that language.

"California is a dysfunctional state and therefore it makes it difficult on local governments to implement this and a host of other issues," said Brian Ambrose, a Senior Management Analyst with the city of Murrieta. "Does this surprise me? No."

"The state legislature passed this bill, and if that's the legislature and governor's desire, we are content to do what they wish. (But) this is absolutely far from over."

#### FEDERAL ISSUE?

Many local city officials said they will keep a close eye on the federal push for the E-Verify system because they believe the federal government should be the one making the final decision on immigration issues.

Kathleen Kim, a professor at Loyola Law School in Los Angeles who specializes in immigration issues, said E-Verify should be dealt with on the national level and that asking private businesses to run immigration checks blurs the line between the public and private sector.

"I think the workplace should not be the location for immigration enforcement," Kim said. "E-Verify and the controversy over it is an example of why immigration enforcement should be taken out of the workplace and put in the hands of trained officers."

"This attempt to privatize immigration enforcement in the workplace can never find a comfortable solution."

Republican State Sen. Bill Emmerson said he opposed the state bill and that it goes against Brown's campaign for governor, during which he said he wanted to shift power to local agencies. Emmerson, whose 37th District includes Hemet, Menifee, Lake Elsinore, Moreno Valley and Corona, said he was surprised by the bill.

"It's another case of the state stepping in and not allowing local governments to use the tools available to them," Emmerson said. "To say they can't use a federal program seems not fair."

"The federal government has to be the level of government that steps up and makes the fix so states have a clearer policy of what to do."

#### LOCAL POLICIES

Hemet: All businesses in the city must check newly hired employees through E-Verify.

Lake Elsinore: All businesses in the city must check newly hired employees through E-Verify.

Menifee: All applicants for a business license must affirm their intent to use E-Verify.

Murrieta: All businesses in the city must check newly hired employees through E-Verify.

Norco: All businesses that have contracts with the city must use E-Verify.

San Bernardino County: All county contractors must use E-Verify.

Temecula: All businesses in the city must check newly hired employees through E-Verify.

Wildomar: All city contractors must use E-Verify and provide documentation of doing so.

#### HONORING THE ROCK BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL LADY BRUINS GOLF TEAM

#### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 27, 2011*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Rock Bridge High School Lady Bruins golf team on its first state title.

The young women and their coaches should be commended for all their hard work throughout the regular season and on bringing home the Class 2 State Golf Championship to their school and community.

The girls played through less-than-ideal weather to beat their seven competitors. With a nine-stroke lead, the team won with a final score of 352.

I ask that you join me in recognizing the Rock Bridge High School Lady Bruins for a job well done.

#### HONORING TIM MCGRAW

#### HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 27, 2011*

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, the true greatness of our state and country lies in the creativity, integrity, and passion of its people, and we are fortunate to be surrounded by mighty examples of dedication to leadership, service, and support of the arts. I rise today to honor Tim McGraw as he receives the Applause Award. Given each year to those who devote their time, talents, and treasures to the performing arts and arts education in middle Tennessee, Tim McGraw joins Ted Welch as this year's deserved recipients.

From bluegrass, to rockabilly, to traditional country, the notes composing the symphony of country music are as diverse as they are enticing. A common thread among the stars of Music City is their devotion to causes greater than themselves. Tonight's award recipient, Tim McGraw, is no exception. Known the world over for his talents in harmonies and melodies, McGraw can be found in service to the American Red Cross, Nashville Rising, and various state and local foundations.

A successful arts program is one of the markers of a successful community, and I am thankful for all those who remain devoted to the Tennessee Performing Arts Center and its Education Programs. Through music, theater, ballet, and art, TPAC provides elevated experiences to middle Tennessee patrons. I rise today to honor Tim McGraw for his loyalty to not only the arts in his community, but his community as a whole. I ask my colleagues to join with me in celebrating McGraw's contributions to and success in Music City.

IN HONOR OF MR. BOB SCHIEFFER

#### HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 27, 2011*

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Mr. Bob Schieffer to acknowledge his contribution to broadcasting. He has been a valuable journalist in the broadcasting community for several decades and the host of CBS' "Face the Nation" for 20 years.

Mr. Schieffer was born on February 25th, 1937 and grew up in Fort Worth, Texas. He went to North Side High School and attended Texas Christian University. Upon graduating from TCU, Mr. Schieffer joined the US Air Force where he earned the ranks of captain and information officer. His first reporting job was with the Fort Worth-Star Telegram where he was a police reporter.

He has been a journalist for CBS since 1969 and hosted the "CBS Evening News" for 23 years. His career covering national politics included assignments with the White House, Pentagon, Department of State, and Congress. During the 2004 and 2008 presidential elections, he served as moderator of the third presidential debates. Mr. Schieffer has also written three books regarding his career in broadcasting.

Mr. Schieffer has won six Emmy awards, as well as the National Press Foundation's Broadcaster of the Year Award. He has also been named to the Broadcasting/Cable Hall of Fame. In 2005, Texas Christian University honored him by naming the Schieffer School of Journalism in his honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Schleifer currently reside in Washington D.C. and are the parents of two daughters.

Mr. Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring the work of Mr. Schieffer and celebrating his countless achievements.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. MICHAEL G. GRIMM

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 27, 2011*

Mr. GRIMM. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 807 I had district work that required my presence. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay".

#### HONORING THE SERVICE OF JOHN BRUCE TO THE ARMY

#### HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 27, 2011*

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. Speaker, one of the enduring beliefs of life in America is that a person can rise through the ranks and achieve success through a combination of hard work, determination, and honesty. This link between hard work and success is one of our country's core values, and appropriately so. Our country is a better place because of the efforts of those who quietly go to work every day, meet the challenges of their jobs, and exceed expectations.